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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the correspondence concerning the application fee in connection with the above-identified application. The PTO correspondence indicated that the applicant failed to make payment and is given this opportunity to make the necessary payment.

For the purposes of creating a record for the file, the Applicant noticed that the necessary filing fee had not been taken from his personal business account and called the Office on or about November 15th to obtain clarification. In discussions with PTO personnel, the Office representative indicated that payment had been received (i.e., check had cleared) and that no further action was required. At that time, due to certain changes made by my financial institution concerning account numbers, I believed that it was possible the fee was extracted from another account which I hadn't yet received any statements (i.e., to confirm whether payment had been made to the PTO). I subsequently received this notice and am now correcting the error made by my financial institution.

Please find enclosed a check in the amount of \$440.00 covering the initial fee of \$375.00 plus the late payment fee of \$65.00 I will request that the fee be waived in view of my attempt to correct the error in advance of the errors made, but the full amount is submitted to ensure that the Application does not go abandoned for lack of payment.

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